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March 13, 1997

Mr. Thomas Bell
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Dear Mr. Bell:

The Brookhaven National Laboratory (BNL)/ Department of Energy (DOE) will conduct its Spring 1997 bi-annual medical mission to provide health care to those Rongelap and Utirik persons exposed to the nuclear fallout from the BRAVO event in 1954. This will take place in the months of April and May. In addition, an established comparison group primarily from the Rongelap community will be examined. The calendar for this mission is enclosed.

We have recruited the following personnel to provide medical care during this mission: two male examiners, two endocrinologists, two radiologists, one gastroenterologist who will overlap both halves of the mission, a pharmacist for the first half and nurse practitioner for the second half. We also request a Kwajalein nurse (Ivy Springer) be recruited for the whole mission where her duties would be triage and would assist the gastroenterology physician in procedures as necessary. We would also like to request a second Kwajalein nurse to fill in as necessary when GI procedures are going on (this would be on an as-needed basis only). In addition, there is a possibility that we may have an ophthalmologist join us. We will inform you as soon as the decision is made.

The core BNL team will include Dr. Ashok Vaswani as acting director during the first half of the mission and will also perform endocrine examinations. Dr. Jean Howard, MIMP director, will be leading the second half of the mission and will also perform the female exams among her other duties. Peter Heotis will be the administrator. Robert Brown will assist in the laboratory and be assistant administrator. Harry Ulyat will be laboratory supervisor and technician and Helmer Emos will act as laboratory technician and interpreter.

The mission will offer:

Complete physical examinations at the US Army Kwajalein Atoll Hospital to all exposed and comparison group persons invited for examination. DOE/ Bechtel Nevada will make appropriate

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travel and lodging arrangements to the invited patients.

Home visits and examinations of home bound, infirm patients at Utirik, Majuro, Mejatto and Ebeye will be provided by select Medical team personnel.

Referral to Honolulu to all exposed persons requiring additional evaluation, treatment and care as indicated.

Patient review and follow-up with RMI's 177 Health Care Program in Majuro takes place at end of each half of the mission to assure continuity of care to the examined patients. Copies of mission charts will be given at that time also.

Medical consultations for the Marshall Islands and USAKA health care systems will be performed as time and resources permit. This will include visits by specialists to the hospitals.

The mission will be based at the US Army Kwajalein Atoll in the two medical exam trailers adjacent to the Kwajalein Hospital. The following support is requested from USAKA Hospital: plain film and mammography radiology services, a procedure room for gastroenterologist to perform flex sigmoidoscopies and consultations, nursing support for GI procedures (Ivy Springer) and her full support for the mission, availability of another nurse as necessary when GI procedures require Ms. Springers support. We are requesting the following Marshallese support, four females interpreters with minimum of two being nurses, three male interpreters not including Helmer Emos (one should have some medical background).

We request quarters for the medical team at Kwajalein and transportation to and from Hawaii and in one case Guam for team personnel. Also we require Airplane transportation for patients in Utirik and Majuro and appropriate transportation for patients from Ebeye (Ebeye needs recruiter and car) and Mejatto. Also any necessary lodging arrangements for our patients. Aside from transportation and lodging for the medical team, all necessary clearances into Kwajalein and when necessary, Majuro are requested all with extra copies of these documents.

Special arrangements are needed for the Utirik medical team visit. Helmer Emos and Judy Honda will have to travel from Kwaj to Majuro on April 28 (RMI time). Hotel and flight arrangements are needed then on the 28th and 29th for their travel on to Utirik on the 30th (RMI). Dr. Howard will be flying from Honolulu to Majuro on April 28 (US time) arriving the 29th (RMI) and will need hotel arrangements and car until her departure to Utirik for home visits with Emos and Honda. Dr. Vaswani will fly from Kwaj to Majuro April 30 (RMI) and will deliver medical charts, perform home visits and have meetings in Majuro until his departure to Honolulu on Friday (RMI). He will also need a vehicle, hotel arrangements and someone to escort him to patients and meetings. The whole group can stay either at the new Outrigger Majuro or RRE. Dr. Howard will also need travel and accommodations in Majuro at the end of the mission. The dates are May 14 (RMI) Kwaj- Majuro and hotel for the 14th and 15th along with a car. Dr. Howard will depart to Honolulu May 16th (RMI). Transportation and patient movement/recruitment will be required at Ebeye during home visits, and consultations by the medical team.

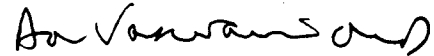
Please make arrangements for assistance of team member and patient movement and recruiting in Utirik and Mejjatto. Also water or beverages would be greatly appreciated while traveling to remote islands.

We also request two Marshallese riggers for two days at the beginning and end of the mission with the advance and post mission team.

Each female patient having their full examination will require a mammography. Additional female patients may require follow-up or diagnostic mammographies as indicated. Patients having their full examination and over 50 years of age will be offered sigmoidoscopy if not performed within three years. Additional patients may require colonoscopy. Routine examinations will include thyroid ultrasound and other radiology performed as clinically indicated.

A patient exam summary with required exam type and special procedures will be provided shortly along with individual patient examination requirements.

Sincerely,

A handwritten signature in dark ink, appearing to read 'Ashok Vaswani', followed by a stylized flourish.

Ashok Vaswani, MD

SPRING 1997 MEDICAL TEAM

BNL MEMBERS:

JEAN HOWARD, M.D.	MEDICAL DIRECTOR	2ND HALF
ASHOK VASWAINI, MD	ACTING MEDICAL DIRECTOR	1ST HALF
PETER HEOTIS, MPS	ADMINISTRATOR	WHOLE
ROBERT BROWN	LAB TECH/ASST. ADM.	WHOLE
HELMER EMOS	LAB TECH/MI.	WHOLE
JUNE JULIER	NURSE PRACTITIONER	2ND HALF

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April

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
			2	3	4	5
		8 BNL Advance team -NYC/Hnl	9 Pre-Mission Mtg - Hickam	10 BNL Advance Team - Hnl/Kwaj	11 BNL Advance Team Arrive Kwaj Advance Team 2 - Hnl	12
Set-up Day	13 Set-up Day Advance Team 2 - Kwaj	14 Dr. Yaswani - NY/Hnl Set-up Day Team 1 - Conus/Hnl Advance Team 2 arrives Kwaj	15 Lab Work Day - Ebeye Patients Team 1 - Hnl/Kwaj	16 Lab Work Day - Ebeye Patients Team 1 Arrives Kwaj (HNL time)	17 Exams - Day 1	18 Exams - Day 2
Free Day	20 LCU to/from Mejjatto - Home Visits	21 Exams - Day 3 Lab Work - Mejjatto Patients	22 Exams - Day 4	23 Exams - Day 5	24 Exams - Day 6	25 Exams - Day 7
Free Day LCU to/from Mejjatto patients Dr. Howard - Conus - HNL	27 H. Enos/J. Honda - Kwa/Maj Ebeye Hospital & Home Visits Dr. Howard HNL to Majuro	28 Exams - Day 8 H. Enos/J. Honda - Majuro Team 2 - Conus/Hnl	29 Exams - Day 9 ½ day Dr. Yaswani - Kwa/Maj Med. Team - Maj/Utk Team 1 - Kwa/Hnl (HNL Time) Team 2 - Hnl/Kwa Utirik Home Visits - Dr. Howard Team 1 arrives Hnl at 2 AM	30		

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SUNDAY	MONDAY	TUESDAY	WEDNESDAY	THURSDAY	FRIDAY	SATURDAY
				1 Majuro Home Visits - Dr. Yaswani Utirik Home Visits - Dr. Howard Med. Team w/ Pts - Utik/Kwa Team 2 Arrives - Kwaj (NMI Time) Team 1 - Conus	2 Dr. Yaswani - Chart Review Dr. Yaswani - Maj/Hnl Exams - Day 10 Dr. Yaswani arrive Hnl 2 AM	3 Exams - Day 11 Dr. Yaswani - Conus
4 Free Day	5 Exams - Day 12	6 Exams - Day 13	7 Exams - Day 14 (Double Trip)	8 Exams - Day 15	9 Exams - Day 16	10 Exams - Day 17
11 Free Day Team 2 - Ebeye	12 Exams - Day 18 1/2 Day Team 2 - Kwaj/Hnl (NMI Time) Team 2 arrive Hnl 2 AM Dr. Howard - Kwaj - Maj	13 Exams - Day 19	14 Exams - Day 20	15 Post Mission Team 2 - Conus	16 BHL Post Mission Teams Kwa/Hnl - Dr. Howard Post Mission Mtg - Hickam Post Team Arrive Hnl 2 AM	17 Post Mission Team - Hnl/Conus
18	19	20	21	22	23	24
25	26	27	28	29	30	31

SPRING 1997 MIMP MISSION

WHOLE TRIP

NAME	AIR MIC						AMI						HOTEL
	Hono Kwaj	Kwaj Hono	Hono Maj	Maj Hono	Kwaj Maj	Maj Kwaj	Maj Hono	Hono Kwaj	Hono Maj	Kwaj Hono	Kwaj Maj	Maj Kwaj	
Robert Brown S.S.: 059-32-7977 D.O.B.: 8/17/40 P.O.B.: Riverhead, NY	HNL to Ponape 4/7	5/16				4/11 Ponape Kwaj							OE 4/5-6 w/Heotis 4/8,9,10 S.Park Ponape 5/15,16OEw/Heotis
Helmer Emos Marshallcsc					4/28								4/28-29 OM Maj
Peter Heotis S.S.: 079-42-4400 D.O.B.: 12/24/50 P.O.B.: Lincoln, NB	HNL to Ponape 4/7	5/16				4/11 Ponape Kwaj							OE 4/5-6 w/Brown 4/8,9,10 S.Park Ponape 5/15,16OEw/Brown
Veronica Simpson S.S.: 095-32-2217 D.O.B.: 6/18/41 P.O.B.: NYC, NY	4/14	5/16											OE 4/12,13 5/15,16 OE
Harry Ulyat S.S.: 218-30-1260 D.O.B.: 7/11/35 P.O.B.: Dallas, TX	4/11 HNL to Kosrae	5/16 KWAJ HNL		4/14 Kosrae to Kwaj									OE 4/9 w/Cizinsky Kosrae 4/12&13 w/ Cizinsky 5/15-16 OE
Ivy Springer, LPN SS:521-80-6263 D.O.B. 12/18/56 P.O.B.: Lamar, Co													

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NAME	AIR MIC						AMI						HOTEL
	Hono Kwaj	Kwaj Hono	Hono Maj	Maj Hono	Kwaj Maj	Maj Kwaj	Maj Hono	Hono Kwaj	Hono Maj	Kwaj Hono	Kwaj Maj	Maj Kwaj	
Ashok Vaswani, M.D. SS:086-54-0186 D.O.B: 9/16/45 P.O.B. Hyberbad, India USA citizen	4/16				4/30		5/2						Holiday Inn 4/15 Holiday Inn 5/1 4/30&5/1 RRE or OM Maj.
Jiri Cizinsky, Pharm SS:114-46-5634 D.O.B.: 2/23/29 P.O.B.: Czechoslovakia USA Citizen	4/11 Hono Kosare	4/30		4/14 Kosare KWAJ									4/9-10 OE 4/12- 13 Kosare 4/29-30 OE
LCDR Martha Girtz, MD SS:286-50-8980 D.O.B.: P.O.B.: Lorain, OH	Guam to Kwaj 4/16- ft956	Kwaj Guam 5/1 ft957											4/14-15 airport hotel 5/1 airport hotel
LTC Gregory Dennis, MD SS:487-64-6924 D.O.B 10/2/54 P.O.B. Ft. Sill OK	4/16	4/30											Holiday Inn 4/20 5/4-5/9 on reservation
Oleh Haluzka, MD SS:154-48-2423 D.O.B.3/11/55 P.O.B: Berth Amboy, NJ	4/21	5/5											Holiday Inn 4/20 5/4-5/6(?) outrigger east
Bernard Giorgio, MD SS: 145-36-3600 D.O.B.: 9/6/46 P.O.B.: Newark, NJ	4/16	4/30											

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ORE = OUTRIGGER EAST

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NAME	AIR MIC						AMI						HOTEL
	Hono Kwaj	Kwaj Hono	Hono Maj	Maj Hono	Kwaj Maj	Maj Kwaj	Maj Hono	Hono Kwaj	Hono Maj	Kwaj Hono	Kwaj Maj	Maj Kwaj	
Jean Howard, MD S.S.: 054-34-5316 D.O.B.: 4/23/41 P.O.B.: Pomona, CA			4/28	5/16	5/14								Holiday Inn 4/27 4/29 OE or RRE Majuro 5/15-16 OE HNL
Leonard Schonnberg, MD S.S.: 117-26-5420 D.O.B.: 4/16/35 P.O.B.: NYC, NY	4/30	5/14											4/28, 4/29 outrigger east. 5/13-14
Joseph Belsky, MD S.S.: 139-20-1358 D.O.B.: 3/14/27 P.O.B.: Newark, NJ	4/30	5/14											will make own 4/28, 4/29 5/13-5/14 ORE
June Julier, NP S.S.: 068-34-8740 D.O.B.: 11/16/42 P.O.B.: Brooklyn, NY	4/30	5/14											Holiday Inn 4/29 ORE 5/13-18 OE
Earl Thornhill, MD KWAJ Doctor No Tickets													
Donald Thomas, MD SS: 298-68-5999 D.O.B.: 7/26/61 P.O.B.: Sidney, OH	4/30	5/14											4/26 -29 OE 5/13-5/16 OE
Michael T. Harper, MD SS: 464-04-8918 D.O.B.: 1/4/65 P.O.B.: Port Arthur, TX	4/30	5/14											Lives in Honolulu

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